### Disease Surveillance & Risk Report

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### Madison County Communicable Disease Activity: Week 11, ending 3/17/18

\*Information denoted with an asterisk is subjective and provided on a voluntary basis.

### **Communicable Diseases Reported:** 5 chlamydia and 1 gonorrhea

Primary Care Providers
Reported\*: Fever,
respiratory illness,
gastrointestinal illness (GI),
upper respiratory illness
(URI), influenza-like illness
(ILI), cough, flu, strep throat,
and sinus infections (Fig. 1).

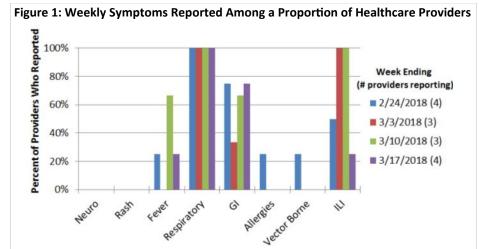
College Health Centers
Reported\*: No report due
to school break

Syndromic Surveillance in Emergency Department— 3/9/18 to 3/17/18: No clusters of illness reported

Medicaid Over-the-Counter (OTC) & Script Medication Alerts—2/23/18 to 3/4/18: No alerts

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Hospitals
Reported:
Rash, fever,
respiratory
illness,
gastrointestinal
illness (GI), and
influenza-like
illness (ILI)





**COMMUNICABLE DISEASES: Madison County** 

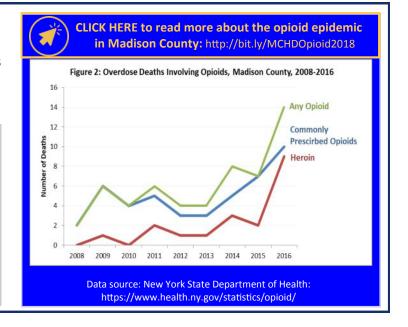
### Issue Highlight: Opioid Epidemic

The opioid overdose epidemic in the United States is unlike any drug-related epidemic ever seen. According to the CDC, an average of 115 Americans die every day from an opioid overdose.

### In Madison County:

- Opioid-related overdose hospitalization rates have increased 150% since 2006
- Opioid-related overdose emergency department visit rates have increased 750% since 2006

In 2016, Madison County had the 16<sup>th</sup> highest opioid prescription rate among all New York counties.

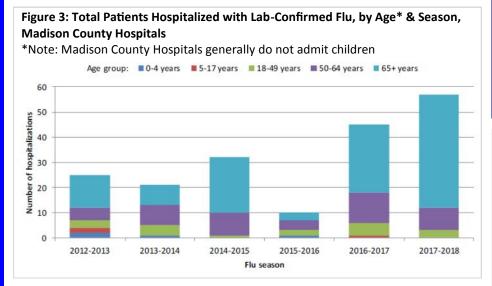


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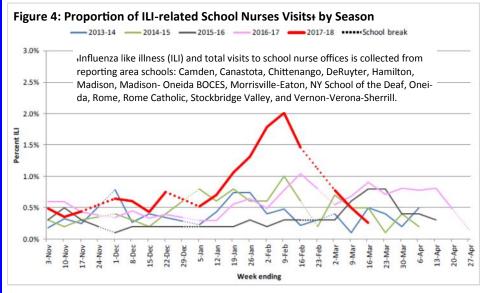
### Madison County Flu Activity: Week 11, ending 3/17/18: Widespread (decreasing)

No Report No Activity Sporadic Local Regional Widespread

**Weekly Lab-confirmed flu:** 21 cases (14 flu Type A and 7 flu Type B) were reported; this is a 40% decrease from the previous week.



**Schools Districts\*:** 0.3% of children seen by school nurses had symptoms of influenza-like illness; this is a *decrease* from the previous week (0.5%) (Fig. 4).



College Health Centers\*: No reports due to spring break

Primary Care Providers\*: ILI and flu was reported

**Flu-Associated Pediatric Deaths:** No reports this season to date. (Flu-associated deaths only in children younger than 18 years old are nationally notifiable.)

Influenza-like or flu-like illness (ILI) includes:
1) a fever greater than 100°F measured with a thermometer AND
(2) a cough AND/OR sore throat in the absence of a known cause other than influenza.

### **Total Lab Confirmed Flu Reported to Date:**531 (340 Flu Type A-64%

& 191 Type B-36%), this is 141% higher than average (220), to date.



Incidence Rate (the number of new flu cases): 28.6 per 100,000 population

### **Hospitals:**

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ILI was reported

## Flu-Related Hospitalizations: Two hospitalized patients with lab-confirmed flu were reported in Madison County; this is a slight increase from the previous week (0). A total of 56 hospitalizations have been reported this

season to date (Fig. 3).

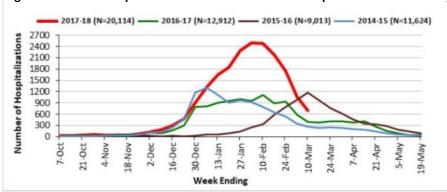
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### New York State Flu Activity: Week 10, ending 3/10/18: Widespread (decreasing)

No Report No Activity Sporadic Local Regional Widespread

**Weekly Lab-Confirmed Flu:** 3,697 reports, a 42% *decrease* over last week (Figure 5). Flu was reported in 62 counties.

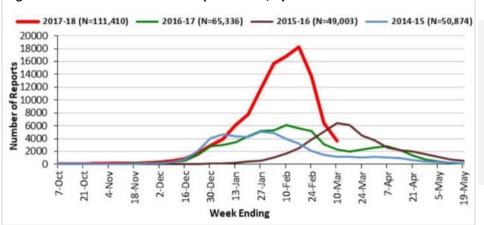
Figure 5: Patients Hospitalized with Lab-Confirmed Flu Reported to NYSDOH—By Season



Incidence (the # of new cases) of lab-confirmed flu is calculated based on lab-confirmed influenza cases per 100,000 population.

Incidence ranged from: 6.44-67.91 cases per 100,000 population.

Figure 6: Positive Flu Lab Results Report to NYS, by Season



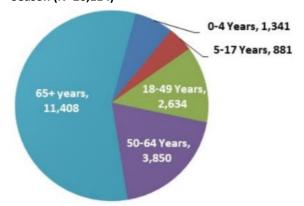
Flu-Related Hospitalizations:

697 reports, a 35% decrease over last week. See figure 7 for hospitalizations by age group.

**ILInet Healthcare Providers:** 4.0% of weekly patient complaints were flu-like illness (ILI); this a *decrease* from the previous week and is *above* the regional baseline of 3.10% (Figure 6). (ILInet providers report the total number of patients seen and the total number of those with complaints of influenza-like illness (ILI) weekly in an outpatient setting.)

**Flu-Associated Pediatric Deaths:** No reports this week. Five deaths were reported this season todate.

Figure 7: Patients hospitalized with Lab-Confirmed Flu reported to NYS, by Age Group, 2017-2018 Season (N=20,114)



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### National Flu Activity: Week 10, ending 3/10/18: Widespread (decreasing)

No Report No Activity Sporadic Local Regional Widespread

Flu activity decreased in the U.S.

### **Geographic Flu Activity Summary (Figure 8):** (Geographic spread of influenza viruses, not a measure of severity.)

- Widespread influenza activity was reported by Puerto Rico and 26 states
- Regional influenza activity was reported by Guam and 18 states
- Local influenza activity was reported by the District of Columbia and five states
- Sporadic influenza activity was reported by one state.
- No influenza activity was reported by the U.S. Virgin Islands.

# Figure 8: Geographic Spread of Influenza as Assessed by State and Territorial Epidemiologists (This figure does not measure the severity of influenza activity.)

### Flu Activity from ILINet Data (Figure 9):

Twelve states experienced high activity; thirteen states experienced moderate ILI activity; New York City and 14 five states experienced low ILI activity; and eleven states experienced minimal ILI activity. (This data is based on the percent of outpatient visits in a state due to ILI compared to the average percent of ILI visits during weeks with little or no influenza virus circulation.)

### **U.S. ILInet Healthcare Providers:**

Outpatient illness visits reported through the Network was 3.3%, this percentage is *above* the national baseline of 2.2% but a decrease from the previous week. All 10 regions in the U.S. reported flu-like illness *at or above* their region-specific baselines.

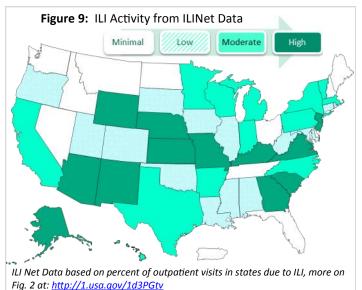
### Flu and Pneumonia-Associated Deaths:

8.5% of all deaths reported through the National Center for Health Statistics mortality surveillance data, occurring during week 8 ending 2/24, were attributed to pneumonia and flu; this is *above* the week 8 epidemic threshold of 7.4%.

**Flu-Associated Pediatric Deaths:** Nine pediatric deaths were reported. 129 flu-associated pediatric deaths have been reported this season to date.

### Overall Flu-Related Hospitalization Rate: 89.9 per 100,000 population. The highest rate of hospitalization was among adults aged ≥65 years

(386.2 per 100,000 population).



Sources: FluView: Weekly U.S. Influenza and Surveillance Report. Centers for Disease Control and